¶ By the King.

¶ A Proclamation to restraine the making or hauing of Keys for any His Maiesties Houses, Gardens, or Parkes, without speciall warrant.

THe Kings most Excellent MAIESTIE being informed of the freedome of accesse that sundry persons do take vnto themselues into his Maiesties Houses, Gardens, and Parkes, by vndue procurement of Keys, which belong not to any but those of speciall place and trust about His Maiestie, and to the Keepers and Officers of his Parkes: For reformation thereof, and to preuent the inconueniences depending thereupon; His Maiestie doth hereby declare His Royall will and pleasure to be, and doth expressly charge and command all Locksmiths and others whomsoeuer (other then His Maiesties owne sworne Locksmith for the time being) that they nor any of them doe at any time hereafter presume to make, or cause to bee made, any Keys for any Locks of doores in Whitehall, or in any other of His Maiesties Houses or Gardens, or of His Parke of S. Iames: And that His Maiesties owne Locksmith presume not to make or deliuer any Key of any of His Maiesties said Houses or Gardens, or of the Parke of S. Iames, without especiall warrant vnder the hand of the Lord Chamberlaine of His Maiesties houshold for the time being (to whom the disposing thereof do properly belong) expressing what Key, and for what person it shall be made; And that vpon euery such Key hee set and engraue the name of the person for whom it is appointed.

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And His Maieſties further will and commandment is, and hee doeth ſtraitly charge and require all ſuch that are or ſhall be allowed Keyes of any of His Maieſties ſaid Houſes or Gardens, carefully to reteine and keepe the ſame in their owne hands and cuſtody, and vpon euery Remooue of His Maieſties houſhold to deliuer them vp to the Gentleman-Vſher that then waites, to bee by him committed into the hands of the Keeper of His Maieſties houſe for the time being, whom His Maieſtie likewiſe requireth to keepe the ſame with all ſafety, and to reſtore them backe at His Maieſties reacceſſe to any of His houſes, to the Gentleman Vſher who ſhall haue charge to prepare ſuch houſe for His Maieſties comming, to bee by him diſtributed to whom they ſhall rightfully belong. 449

And His Maieſtie doth likewiſe inhibite and forbid all Locksmithes, and others whomſoeuer, other then His Maieſties owne ſworne Locksmith, directly or indirectly to make any Locks or Keys for any of His Maieſties Parkes of Hyde, Maribone, Windſor, Oatlands, Hampton-Court, Richmond, Nonſuch, Greenwich, Eltham, Theobalds, Enfeild, Hauering, or of any other His Maieſties Parkes of the like diſtance from Whitehall.

And His Maieſtie doth ſtraitly charge and command His owne ſworne Locksmith to make no Locks or Keys of any of thoſe Parks, without ſpeciall warrant to be giuen him vnder the hand of the principall Commander of the ſame Parke, for which it is to bee made: And that no Locke or Key be made of any other of His Maieſties Parkes whatſoeuer, either by His Maieſties Locksmith, or any other, without like ſpeciall warrant of the principall Commander that hath or ſhall haue the charge thereof:

And theſe His Maieſties Royall Commands, hee ſtraitly chargeth to be hereafter obeyed, and exactly obſerued, vpon paine of His high Indignation, and the ſeuereſt puniſhment that may bee inflicted vpon the offenders.

Giuen at His Maieſties Palace of Weſtminſter, the ſixe and twentieth day of March, in the twelfth yeere of His MAIESTIES Reigne.

God ſaue the King.

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